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Alcohol Awareness Month

Learn symptoms of alcohol abuse and what to do if you or someone you know has a problem.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Separation allowance increases
The Emergency Supplemental bill authorized by President Bush brings an increase to Family Separation Allowance from \$100 to \$250 per month. The increase is retroactive from Oct. 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003 unless authorized afterwards. The Defense Financial Accounting Service Center estimates members should begin seeing new payments at the increased amount by the end of May or earlier. For more information, call comptroller flight customer service at 782-5574.

Recruiting team to visit Kunsan
The recruiter screening team from Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, will visit Kunsan next month. Senior airmen through master sergeants with less than 16 years time in service are eligible for recruiting positions. The one-hour briefing will be at 10:30 a.m. May 23 in building 1305. For more information, call Master Sgt. John Pupo at 782-9404.

Tax relief, danger pay expands
Tax relief and special pay for servicemembers involved in Operation Iraqi Freedom have expanded. On April 11, a Defense Department memo certified that OIF troops stationed in Turkey and Israel and deployed to Mediterranean waters east of 30 degrees east longitude are now eligible for combat zone tax relief. Also, servicemembers deployed in the same Mediterranean water area now qualify for imminent danger pay. Effective date for the added combat zone tax relief in Turkey and Israel is retroactive to Jan. 1. Imminent danger pay increased to \$225 per month, a \$75 increase retroactive to Oct. 1.



Photo by Spc. Jacob Boyer

Iraqi general surrenders
United States and coalition forces accepted the surrender of the first enemy general in Operation Iraqi Freedom when the commander of all armed forces in the western district of Iraq capitulated in Ar Ramedi April 15. Maj. Gen. Muhammed Thumayla, Western District commander, surrendered himself and more than 16,000 soldiers under his command to Col. Curtis D. Potts, commander, 4th Brigade, in a special operations compound 60 kilometers west of the city.

U.S., Poland finalize F-16 deal
Polish officials signed a deal to purchase 48 new F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft from the United States, a deal reportedly worth nearly \$3.6 billion. This military hardware deal is expected to kick off a long-term relationship between the United States and the former Warsaw Pact nation.

Kunsan receives 'excellent' for ORI

Wing leadership lauds Wolf Pack on good job, warfighting ability

By 1st Lt. Heather Healy
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Members of the Wolf Pack gathered in the Loring Club here April 18 to learn the results of the Operational Readiness Inspection that took place April 7 to 11. The long hours in chemical gear paid off as the 8th Fighter Wing earned an excellent rating and confirmed for the world what base leadership has known all along: we are ready for war. "This was a tough scenario," said Col. Guy Dahlbeck, 8th Fighter Wing commander. "I'm proud of what we did and how we did it."

The Pacific Air Forces Inspector General team evaluated Wolf Pack members on their responses to simulated scenarios in four major areas of interest: initial response, which received an excellent; employment, which received an excellent; mission support, which received a satisfactory; and the ability to survive and operate, which received an excellent.

The list of IG inputs tested all areas of Wolf Pack's ability to sustain combat operations in a wartime environment. From fixing and flying aircraft to all the crucial wartime support activities, no aspect of the wing's capabilities went unchecked.

"They focused on everything," said Maj. Grant Rutlin, 8th Fighter Wing Inspector General. "They looked at every aspect of the mission we do here and the ways in which each organization has an impact on that mission."

The Wolf and the IG team at Kunsan knew what the PACAF IG team would be looking for, but the Wolf's approach to preparation for the ORI has been noticeably different from past Kunsan wing commanders.

A desire to balance exercises with quality-of-life concerns led to the development of the Wolf Warrior Day.

"We can specifically target certain



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

'EXCELLENT' WORK: Staff Sgt. LaShannon Grant, 554th Red Horse TDY here from Osan Air Base for the Operational Readiness Inspection, maintains her post. The Pacific Air Forces Inspector General announced their findings and results of Kunsan's inspection during an outbriefing April 18.

areas we want to work on that we feel are weak areas; for instance self aid buddy care," said Rutlin.

"We worked very hard on that, and it turns out the wing did very well on self-aid buddy care during the inspection," Rutlin added.

Dahlbeck was pleased with how Wolf Warrior Days contributed to the success of the wing, and he wasn't shocked at the results of the ORI, which he directly contributes to the members of the Wolf Pack.

"I'm not surprised," said Dahlbeck. "I see it everyday. I salute you and applaud you."

Five-Tier Grading System

- ☐ Outstanding rating: far exceeds mission requirements
- ☐ Excellent rating: exceeds mission requirements
- ☐ Satisfactory rating: meets mission requirements
- ☐ Marginal rating: does not meet some mission requirements
- ☐ Unsatisfactory rating: does not meet mission requirements.

2003 NCO retraining program begins

WASHINGTON — The Air Force recently began the voluntary phase of its fiscal 2003 noncommissioned officer retaining program.

The program is designed to help the Air Force balance its enlisted force by moving NCOs in specialties with surpluses to those with short-

ages, and consists of two phases -- voluntary and involuntary.

"We begin this program with the clear recognition that people are our most valuable resource," said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Gerald R. Murray. "Retraining will allow us to

alleviate stress from those airmen in undermanned specialties, while still giving our people options and choices in the process."

The voluntary phase of the program is scheduled to run through April 25. The involuntary phase, if needed, is scheduled to run May 9

through June 13.

"While every effort is made to attract volunteers, some airmen may be selected for involuntary retraining if the number of volunteers falls short," officials said.

"Airmen in eligible career

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Action Line

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Col. Guy Dahlbeck
Commander, 8th Fighter Wing

The Action Line is your direct line to me. Use it if you have concerns or suggestions about the Wolf Pack that can't be resolved through the agency involved or your chain of command. When you call, please leave your name, a phone number where you can be reached and a brief description of your problem or concern. You can also send an e-mail to action.line@kunsan.af.mil.

Grooming standards

Q: I have been here for over six months and I have noticed a disturbing trend. Many females are walking around with their hair out of regulations. I have approached several individuals; however, when I ran into them again days later or even the next day their hair is still out of regulations. I think part of the problem is many male supervisors may not know what the hair regulations are for women. I know that it is the responsibility of everyone to be aware of Air Force Instruction 36-2903, Dress and Appearance Standards, but could you please put an article in the paper? Thank you.

A: Glad to help get the word out concerning dress and appearance. Here's what the AFI says.
Overall standards for men's and women's hair is it must be:

AAFES Customer Service.....	782-4426
Area Defense Council.....	782-4848
Base Exchange.....	782-4520
Chapel.....	782-4300
CES Customer Service.....	782-5318
Commissary manager.....	782-4144
Education Office.....	782-5148
Dining Hall.....	782-5160

- ☐ Clean, well groomed and neat
- ☐ If dyed, it will look natural
- ☐ Styled to present a professional appearance.
- Men's and women's hair will not:
 - ☐ Contain excessive amounts of grooming aids
 - ☐ Touch their eyebrows
- Women's hair will have plain and conservative pins, combs, headbands, elastic bands and barrettes similar to the individual's hair color are permitted to keep hair in place.
- Women's hair will not:
 - ☐ Be worn in an extreme or fad style or violate safety requirements
 - ☐ Extend in length on all sides below an invisible line drawn parallel to the ground from the bottom edge of the shirt collar at the back of the neck
 - ☐ Exceed three inches in bulk or prevent proper wear of head gear
 - ☐ Include hair ornaments such as ribbons or jeweled pins
- The overall hair standard for men's hair is it must be:

Fitness Center.....	782-4026
Golf Course.....	782-5435
Housing Office.....	782-4088
Inspector General.....	782-4850
IDEA Office.....	782-4020
Law Enforcement Desk.....	782-4944
Legal Assistance.....	782-4283
Military Equal Opportunity.....	782-4055

- ☐ A tapered appearance on both sides and back
- Men's hair will not:
 - ☐ Touch the ears and only closely cut or shaved hair on the back of the neck may touch the collar.
 - ☐ Exceed 1.25 inch in bulk, regardless of length and not exceed a quarter inch at natural termination
 - ☐ Be worn in an extreme or fad style or in such a way that exceeds length or bulk standards or violates safety requirements
 - ☐ Contain or have any visible foreign items attached to it.
- Men's sideburns will be:
 - ☐ Neatly trimmed and tapered in the same manner as the haircut
 - ☐ Straight and of even width (not flared) and end in a clean-shaven horizontal line
- Men's sideburns will not:
 - ☐ Extend below the lowest part of the exterior ear opening.
- For more information, visit your unit first sergeant.

Military Pay.....	782-5574
Military Personnel Flight.....	782-5276
Medical Patient Advocate.....	782-4014
Network Control Center.....	782-2666
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NCO Retraining Program

Adjusting to the new steady state

By Gen. John P. Jumper
Air Force Chief of Staff

As we continue to adjust to the demands of fighting the global war on terrorism, defending the homeland, and fulfilling our global security requirements, we must adapt to the new steady state that has stressed so many of the career fields in our Air Force. With the force reductions of the 1990s and the skill level imbalances we've experienced in some career fields, the stage was set for a challenging human resources environment. Over many months, we've expended considerable effort studying our "stressed career fields." We are now taking action, and are taking a variety of steps to increase manning in undermanned specialties and balance skills across the force. This "Sight Picture" will explain one of the tools we are using — the Noncommissioned Officer Retraining Program.

While certain career fields are experiencing more pain than others, the results of each study yield similar conclusions — every skill and most of our people are experiencing stress of some kind. We must step out aggressively to balance the skills and reduce the stress level across the force within current resources and constraints. We are engaged in a number of complementary efforts, including a fundamental reassessment of the basic structure, assignment, and training policies for our most stressed career fields. We are reviewing who should fill, how we fill, how we can best fix undermanned career fields, and how to stabilize our force. The NCO Retraining Program will help correct imbalances while still providing NCOs a voice in their own Air Force career.

The NCORP consists of both voluntary and involuntary phases. Phase I, the voluntary phase,

encourages eligible airmen to retrain into selected shortage career fields. If goals are not met through the voluntary phase, Phase II, or the involuntary phase, is implemented in select shortage specialties. A formal NCORP has not been active since Fiscal Year 1999. Reintroducing the annual program is necessary to help balance skills mixes across AFSCs, pull more manpower into stressed career fields, and help reshape the force to meet current and future operational needs. We have established an initial programmed target of 1,400 NCO quotas.

We have also taken steps to move authorizations [spaces] which will drive movement of people [faces] from less stressed to more stressed career fields. We will begin by moving approximately 3,700 spaces, adjusting accession requirements to get them in the door, and reallocating training seats to produce more personnel in stressed skills. The retraining program will help us fill in NCO shortages in undermanned skills.

The realignment of authorizations will begin immediately and will be evaluated periodically to determine if additional adjustments are needed. We will also aggressively look at corresponding programs such as bonus programs, assignment policy, and the chronic critical skills list to ensure they complement our objectives. Although the timing of this initiative might appear to conflict with current operations, these changes are vital to ensure we are postured correctly to meet our long-term mission demands.

As with any initiative of this magnitude, many of you will be concerned with how this will affect your career. We need to address these concerns at the outset to ensure we take care of our people through this process. Supervisors and leaders at all levels must take time to learn how this program will work and then clearly communicate the specifics to

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Air Force Chief of Staff

their people. AFPC will provide detailed implementation instructions through local MPFs via message within the next few days.

Despite the challenges associated with this effort, it is clear we must reshape our force now if we hope to retain our status as the best-trained, equipped, and motivated air and space force in the world. Our expeditionary force continues to provide world-class capabilities to joint operations around the world. With this initiative, we reinforce this capability, and begin the process of balancing our force without breaking career fields, individual careers, or our mission capabilities.

We hold to our principle that developing airmen is the first and foremost of our core competencies, and taking care of our people is the most important thing we do.

While we take these actions to meet the mission needs of our Air Force, we do them with the best interests of our airmen in mind.

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MONTHLY SORTIE GOALS

Unit	Goal	Flown
35th FS	348	275
80th FS	338	293
8th FW	686	568

COMMUNITY STANDARDS

Public intoxication
People entering Kunsan Air Base who appear to be under the influence of alcohol and demonstrating erratic or unacceptable behavior may be detained for investigation by security forces. Upon request, they must produce their military ID to properly identify themselves.

Airmen prepared, ready for any cases of SARS

By 1st Lt. David Faggard
Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE, Hawaii — With major combat operations for Operation Iraqi Freedom wrapping up, airmen in are watching the news closely for a new enemy that's threatening U.S. interests, Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome.

Recent intense media coverage may make it seem as though the virus, known as SARS, is spreading uncontrollably; however, the total number of SARS deaths is not as high as more common bugs like influenza or pneumonia.

Two hundred deaths can be attributed to the latest virus, which is relatively low compared to the number of annual deaths in the U.S. from pneumonia and flu which kills about 50,000 people a year, according to Lt. Col. Paul Rehme, chief of Public Health, Pacific Air Forces Office of the Surgeon General.

The good news is, according to Col. (Dr.) Michael Lischak, chief of Aero-medical and Dental Division, PACAF SG, the impact SARS will have on airmen will continue to be minor and scheduled exercises in the Pacific will go on.

"Upcoming exercises like Balikatan and Cobra Gold are still scheduled, but airmen should expect to see some additional screening when going into and leaving foreign countries," Lischak said. "The additional screening will most likely consist of a health questionnaire people will fill out."

The virus is accompanied by a fever greater than 100.5 degrees Fahrenheit, mild body aches, a cough and difficulty breathing, according to Lischak.

The SARS virus, first diagnosed in China, is thought to be spread by close person-to-person contact or through objects people with SARS may have come in recent contact with, according to Rehme.

"SARS is most likely spread through droplets, or sputum, which people might transfer between each other or to objects after sneezing or coughing on their hands," said Rehme.

Diseases like SARS are not new.

"This is not the first disease, nor will it be the last," said Maj. Dan Shoor, resident of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks City Base, Texas. "This is a new disease that we're learning to deal with; and it's quite amazing how far we've come. In the past 30 days or so, we've found the disease, we're genetically mapped it, created a laboratory test for its identification and are now trying to create a vaccine for it; this has never been done before so quickly."

The doctor explained some simple procedures for people who may be ill and think they possibly could have contracted SARS.

"The first thing people should understand is that they should avoid traveling to the countries reporting cases of active SARS transmission," Lischak said. "Secondly, if you feel ill after going on a trip to one of these countries, contact your health care provider and inform them of your travel history and symptoms. Typically, your health care provider will want you to report to the emergency room where they can isolate and treat the symptoms if necessary. While on a trip, avoid crowds, people who are coughing and sneezing, and wash your hands frequently," he said.

Travel is limited for military members in the

Travel Advisory

- ❑ Department of Defense personnel may only make mission-essential trips to China and Hong Kong.
- ❑ USFK and DoD personnel are advised not to travel to Taiwan, Singapore, Vietnam, Toronto Canada, or Thailand.
- ❑ People who traveled to these countries within the last 30 days should contact 8th Medical Group public health at 782-4510 for screening.

Pacific where SARS is reported to be prevalent, including the cancellation of all non-mission essential trips to China and Hong Kong, according to the U.S. Pacific Command office of Public Affairs.

There are 3,293 probable cases of SARS reported in 22 countries, according to Dick Thompson, communications officer at the World Health Organization.

The disease has claimed the lives of 193 people from Canada, China, Singapore, Thailand, Malaysia and Vietnam, according to the WHO.

There are 193 reported probable cases of the disease in the U.S. according to the WHO.

"To date, no U.S. military personnel have been diagnosed with SARS," said Rehme.

"Our people are some of the healthiest people in the world who have access to regular healthcare providers and are all in a relatively narrow age group — not the typical group of people SARS infects," Lischak said.

Ammo troops enhance job knowledge

Training provides airmen with knowledge of ordnance used by follow-on forces

By Staff Sgt. Kelley Stewart
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

When you can't go and get the training, bring the training to you. That's just what the 8th Maintenance Squadron Precision Guided Munitions Shop did.

The "Mighty PGM" brought in Master Sgt. Mark Newton, 372nd Training Squadron, Detachment 15 munitions instructor, out of Kadena Air Base, Japan, to teach ammunition troops how to build AGM-130s and GBU-15s.

Newton is here to teach airmen how to assemble, disassemble, and inspect and test components and the munitions. The last time he was here to teach this class was in October 2002.

"With new people coming in, we need to get people trained," said Tech. Sgt. Lynn Chisholm, assistant NCOIC of precision guided munitions. "This isn't like the states where someone gets trained and is there for a while and can be used to train other people."

Chisholm went through Newton's class in October.

This training is important because should follow on forces come here, the PGM ammo troops would need to build, test and stockpile AGM-130s and GBU-15s for initial use by any F-15E squadrons deploying here.

During this class, after students put



Photo by Staff Sgt. Kelley Stewart

THE BOMB: Airman 1st Class Melissa Conner, 8th Maintenance Squadron, installs an "Airfoil Group" on a missile's control section during training.

these munitions together, they take them apart.

"I think this is a very good class," said Senior Airman Taylor Saum, 8th MXS. "We get to focus on one or two missile systems we don't deal with on a daily basis."

This sentiment is shared by Airman 1st Class Melissa Conner, 8th MXS.

"We don't get to work on this stuff everyday. It gives us insight into the munitions. It's nice to learn something new."

Chisholm believes having Newton come here to teach this class helps reduce the stress put on people moving here, and that it helps Pacific Air Forces by helping the 8th MXS get "fit to fight."

"We really appreciate him," Chisholm said.

Digital X-rays improve Wolf Pack healthcare

By 1st Lt. Heather Healy
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

A new X-ray machine recently added to the arsenal of medical care weapons in the 8th Medical Group here is streamlining processes and improving medical care capabilities for the Wolf Pack.

The X-ray machine, which can shoot both digital and computed radiography images, is revolutionizing radiology in hospitals all over the world and at Kunsan Air Base.

According to a news release regarding the GE Centricity X-ray machine that Kunsan uses, the machine allows hospitals to improve patient care and outcomes, increase efficiency and productivity and streamline clinical workflow.

This is good news for Wolf Pack members who can expect to see the benefits of this new digital X-ray machine by spending less time waiting for results because doctors see the computer enhanced images immediately.

According to Tech. Sgt. Eugene Kamikowski, NCOIC of radiology, because there isn't a radiologist at Kunsan, images used to have to be developed and then couriered to Osan AB to be read. Now the images can be sent to Osan immediately.

"Because it's digital," said Maj. (Dr.) Dave Duval, 8th MDG flight doctor, "we can send the images to a radiologist and get their interpretation within a few hours rather than a few weeks."

This increase in immediacy and quality of care is only one of the benefits of the new digital X-ray machines. Conventional X-ray machines use photographic film to take pictures. Because the process no longer requires developing and filing film, it's a lot



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

HI-TECH: Senior Airman Amanda Tucker, 8th Medical Support Squadron, views a digital X-ray.

easier, said Kamikowski.

"For one thing you don't have to have a film processor with chemicals. That's a thing of the past, and you don't have to have a dark room to develop the film," said Kamikowski.

The 8th MDG used to need a lot of space to store and file old X-ray jackets and film. Since the introduction of the new digital X-ray machine, storage has gone from an entire room to a box of CD-ROMs.

"Now you don't have to have a hard copy of the image to store it. It's stored inside the computer so you can download it onto a hard copy," said Kamikowski.

The new process also means less environmental issues with respect to both the chemicals used in developing the film to the tedious process of recycling the film because it contains silver.

"You'd purge pull all those X-rays out of file, recycle the silver in the film and dispose of the X-ray jacket. All that took manpower and time to do," said Kamikowski.

That manpower and time will now go into other endeavors in the 8th MDG, and everyone from the patients to the X-ray lab technician will reap the positive results.



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Spring weather brings unwelcome visitors

Kunsan residents prepare for another season of pests

By Senior Airman Andrew Svoboda
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The sounds of crowds cheering from the softball field, the smell of barbecue in the air, budding cherry blossoms...these are the signs that spring has arrived at Kunsan. While this time of year brings many good things, it also produces a few unwanted annoyances.

As Wolf Pack members begin to spend more time outside both on and off duty, they will begin to see variety of new inhabitants on base...and not the kind that arrive weekly on the patriot.

According to the environmental controls pest management NCOIC, the major pests here are mosquitoes.

"We're surrounded on all sides by water, so we see a lot of mosquitoes here," said Master Sgt. William Stiley, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron. "People that work outdoors can also purchase a mosquito repellent at the self-help store."

"Traps are set-up around base to help us determine when we begin our fogging program," he added.

The 8th Medical Operation Squadron public health office actually sets-up mosquito traps to track the number of mosquitoes on base, as well as maintains current information on diseases mosquitoes may carry.

"In this part of the world, mosquitoes can transmit malaria and Japanese encephalitis, but the threat is minimal at Kunsan," said Tech. Sgt. Rodney Coleman, NCOIC public health.

Another pest found this time of year poses more threat to facilities than it does to people.

"If facilities have termites, swarms of termites with wings migrate to start new colonies," said Stiley. "This is just more annoying than anything else."

Other flying nuisances Kunsan residents may



Photo by Senior Airman Andrew Svoboda

BUGGIN' OUT: Staff Sgt. Charles Dantzler, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron, prepares a pesticide in a one-gallon manually pressurized sprayer. This time of year the number of pests on base increases.

encounter include wasps and bees, similar to those found in the United States.

"Nests are usually found in shaded areas, eaves of buildings or sheds that have been closed for a long time and seldom disturbed," said Stiley. "Last year we found a honeycomb wasps nest containing nearly 200 wasps."

While there are very few poisonous snakes indigenous to the Kunsan area, non-venomous garden snakes are commonplace.

"There's only one known venomous snake on the peninsula, which falls into the same genus as the North American copperhead," said Stiley. "Most snakes here are harmless garden snakes about a foot long. If you encounter one, don't hesitate to call us and we'll pick it up for you."

The number of spiders around base also increase,

however they pose little threat to people.

"Spiders help control other insects," said Stiley. "The thing to remember is not to walk between bushes, especially at night. Spiders here create elaborate webs, which are very strong."

Stiley added that most spider problems can be handled with simple broom or vacuum cleaner, and customers need not call the environmental controls shop unless an infestation of spiders was found.

One creature commonly mistaken for a spider is the land crab. These pests can crawl under doors if there isn't a seal, but they don't crawl through sinks or toilets.

"The crabs are don't bite, and can be eliminated using a broom or simply stepping on them," said Stiley. "The best way to avoid most pests is to keep doors closed and screens on windows."

Not all pests are animals. The environmental controls shop is also responsible for eliminating crack grass and unwanted weeds.

"We apply herbicides so the weeds don't grow back," said Stiley.

Some pests are present year round, such as mice and rats. The environmental control shop can set traps for these pests, however traps are also available at the self-help store.

"Whether it's grass or bugs, a pest is anything living that's unwanted," said Stiley. "That's what we're here to take care of."

Help Eliminate Mosquitoes

- ☐ Empty anything that is capable of holding water (tires, jars, bottles, etc.)
- ☐ Repair outside leaky plumbing and water faucets.
- ☐ Do not allow water to collect in water pots.
- ☐ Keep grasses short and pull out tall weeds.

If you have pest problems, put in a work order for the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron environmental controls by calling 8th CES customer service at 782-5318

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fields should look to their supervisors and leadership to help them make informed choices," said Murray.

This year, officials seek to move approximately 1,400 midlevel NCOs into shortage specialties.

These imbalances in the midlevel NCO grades have occurred because of personnel force structure changes, differing retention trends among specialties and the equality of promotions across all skills, officials said.

"(The retraining program) seeks to carefully balance member expectations with the needs of the Air Force," officials said.

"Ultimately, we need to balance our enlisted force to better meet today's mission requirements and those in the future," said Murray. "The retraining program will help us do that."

Several new features have been added to the program this year to make implementation smoother.

The selection criterion is no longer based solely upon seniority, officials said. Selections are now made across all eligible year groups mirroring assignment eligibility.

For example, once all ineligible NCOs have been removed from consideration, everyone left will be sorted by the date they arrived on station. Those with the most time will appear

at the top of the list for involuntary retraining.

Wing commanders may recommend assignment curtailments up to six months except at remote tour locations or those requiring 100-percent manning.

The total active federal military service date requirement was extended by six months to increase the pool of eligible NCOs. In addition, military personnel flights will provide local commanders, first sergeants, career assistance advisers and supervisors with a comprehensive briefing regarding the program.

Vulnerability listings by grade and Air Force specialty code will be updated on a weekly basis.

Airmen "at risk" for involuntary retraining may access their relative standing via the Air Force Personnel Center's Web site at <https://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/enl-skills/Retraining/retraining.htm>.

All eligible NCOs are also encouraged to consider a special duty assignment such as the recruiting field, military training instructor, first sergeant duty or professional military education instructor.

Anyone interested in more details about the NCORP can call MPF customer service at 782-5276.

Kunsan work centers receive free PCs

By Senior Airman Andrew Svoboda
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

A Pacific Air Forces initiative is currently replacing computers at all PACAF bases including Kunsan.

The first phase of this program will replace more than 800 older PCs and involves almost every squadron and work center on base.

"This is a monumental event," said Master Sgt. Derick Jackson, 8th Communications Squadron. "It will take a combined and coordinated effort between the 8th Communications Squadron and our mission partners such as the Dell contracted installers, squadron commanders, users, automated data processing equipment equipment custodians, and workgroup managers."

Active support and participation by the workgroup managers and ADPE equipment custodians is vital to the success of the program, Jackson added.

ADPE equipment custodians and workgroup managers are being contacted via e-mail and by phone. Some preparation work by the custodians and workgroup managers, including a comprehensive review of the ADPE inventory and identification specific



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

UPGRADE: Vannon Stambaugh, team lead of Dell Computers, assesses one of the computers in the 8th Communications Squadron photo lab.

equipment locations, is required prior to the interview and installation phases.

"We want to ensure all ADPE equipment custodians and workgroup managers are aware of this initiative and working on the preparation activities," said Jackson.

Dell's review of the PC baseline is ongoing through Thursday. Installation will take place between May 5 and May 19. For more information, call Master Sgt. Derick A. Jackson at 782-4622 or Tech. Sgt. Lloyd Washington at 782-4551.

Red Devil selected to study at Korean university

Geer named as one of only six applicants throughout entire AF

By Capt. Alisen Iversen
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

A Wolf Pack member was recently one of six Air Force members selected for the Olmsted Scholar Program.

Maj. Michael Geer, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron operations flight commander, will receive educational grants for two years of graduate study at a foreign university.

The program, which began in 1960, offers educational opportunities for a select few members from each of the four branches of service.

During the application process, scholars designate areas of study and

foreign universities they are interested in. After a handful of people are nominated by each service, the Olmsted Foundation makes the final selection and decides which program and university the scholars will attend.

Geer was selected to study international relations at Seoul National University, both of which were his first choices.

"The Olmsted program requires students to choose a non-technical major in a field like international relations, area studies, or history. I thought international relations was the most practical of those," he said.

He also thinks this program will make him a more rounded officer. "Basically, it will provide me with a greater breadth in my perspective and experience," he added.

The scholars attend extensive language training before starting their graduate program. Geer is not sure

where he will complete his language training.

"Since I know some Hangul already, I don't know if they will send me to DLI [Defense Language Institute] first, but I will probably end up in an immersion program at Seoul National University."

The Korean academic school year begins in April, so Geer said he hopes he's finished with the language program by then.

After the scholars complete their foreign graduate program, they are offered an additional grant to complete one more year of study at the U.S. university of their choice, with service approval. Because most universities overseas do not award a master's degree or its U.S. equivalent, this gives the scholars the opportunity to obtain a recognized master's degree.

Geer isn't sure if he'll complete that extra year immediately after the



Maj. Michael Geer

program or wait a few years.

"I might wait and use that additional year out of my career field in place of ACSC [Air Command and Staff College], but I'll still complete ACSC by correspondence."



Air Force photo

EX-PREZ VISITS KOREA: Former president George H.W. Bush takes a moment out of his visit at Yongsan Army Garrison, Republic of Korea, to pose with Staff Sgt. Tonya M. McCarty, 51st Comptroller Squadron, Osan Air Base Tuesday.

Community College of the Air Force Graduates

8th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Staff Sgt. David Boyette
Master Sgt. Paula Jackson
Master Sgt. Lorenzo Jones
Staff Sgt. Richard Martin
Staff Sgt. Tina Martin
Master Sgt. Stephen Mckinzie
Tech. Sgt. Gary Osbourne

80th Fighter Squadron

Staff Sgt. Normay Aleman
Master Sgt. Mark Parish
Staff Sgt. Allen Pindel

8th Communications Squadron

Staff Sgt. Maritza Freeland
Master Sgt. Martin Medrano

8th Logistics Support Squadron

Master Sgt. Ricky Duhon
Staff Sgt. Lisa Payne

8th Maintenance Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Steven Butler
Staff Sgt. Manuel DeLosAngeles
Staff Sgt. Matthew Hose
Senior Airman Frank Minor
Master Sgt. John Pooler

8th Mission Support Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Joanna Adams
Master Sgt. Roosevelt Banks

Staff Sgt. Michele Deaner
Master Sgt. Larry Kirkpatrick
Master Sgt. Charles Lewis
Staff Sgt. John McCraw

8th Medical Support Squadron

Staff Sgt. Lisa Barbour
Staff Sgt. Glen Simon
Master Sgt. Mark Vernoy

8th Civil Engineer Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Liza Gerton
Senior Airman Samantha Kilakis
Staff Sgt. Linda Preston

8th Operations Support Squadron

Staff Sgt. Michael Anderson
Staff Sgt. John Goolsby

8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Senior Airman Ronald Ballantine
Staff Sgt. Kenneth Hutchinson
Staff Sgt. Jocelyn Lamas

8th Fighter Wing

Senior Airman Renea Merth
Staff Sgt. Sarah Tooley

— Courtesy Education Office

OF THE PRIDE PACK

Job: 8th Fighter Wing flight safety

Duties: Keep track of aircraft-related incidents and ensure overall aircraft safety.

Hometown: Greensboro, N.C.

Follow on: Shaw Air Force Base, S.C.

Hobbies: Volunteer at the SonLight Inn, working on a degree in pastoral studies, going to the gym.

Favorite music: Christian contemporary or country.

Last good movie you saw: Don't watch many movies.

Best thing you've done at Kunsan: Worked with the orphanage, preparing dinner during the holidays, which was fascinating.



Tech. Sgt. Richard Cleveland

"Tech. Sgt. Cleveland has proven himself invaluable in the day-to-day operations of the flight safety office. He is particularly vital to the office not only because of his exceptional work ethic, but also because of his extensive knowledge and experience with F-16 maintenance operations. Cleveland's experience enables him to identify problem areas and provide instructive and immediate feedback to appropriate agencies."

Capt. Joseph Fletcher
8th Fighter Wing Chief of Flight Safety

English speaking volunteers

People interested in teaching English to students can do so 8:30 am. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Volunteers must have a date estimated return from overseas of no earlier than July 03.

This volunteer opportunity requires a six-month commitment.

For more information, e-mail
SongAe.Song@kunsan.af.mil.

Today's construction projects help... Improve the base ...for tomorrow's Wolf Pack



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

A \$9.6 billion project to build a new operations building for the 35th Fighter Squadron is currently underway. The project, scheduled for completion in December 2003, will replace the squadron's existing building, originally built in the 1960s. The new building is a semi-hardened facility complete with a system to provide protection from a chemical and biological warfare environment.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

(Left) A \$6.7 million project is taking place to renovate 10 hardened aircraft shelters. The project includes making improvements to the large, sliding outer doors to keep maintenance troops out of the elements. Other improvements include fixing exterior cracks and corrosion, which create the potential for foreign object damage and water leakage, and improving lighting systems.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

(Right) A new marquee is erected outside the base theater. The new sign is illuminated and covered in glass.



Photo by Senior Airman Andrew Svoboda

Phase 3 of a four-phase water distribution system project was recently completed. The \$6.2 million phase 3 project included the completion of building a second water tower, which adds 500,000 gallons to the base's water storage system. This project also saw the replacement of asbestos piping with PVC piping.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

A \$3.2 million project for an Army vehicle maintenance facility nears completion. The new 30,000 square foot facility includes two temperature-controlled bays for maintenance as well as a second floor for office space. The project is scheduled for completion in July 2003.



Photo by Senior Airman Andrew Svoboda

An \$11.8 million project is in the works for a new sports and fitness center. The new facility, scheduled for completion in 2004, will feature 18,228 square feet of floor space and \$600,000 of new equipment.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

(Above) A \$1.9 million airfield drainage project is underway to upgrade the existing drainage structure. Workers are adding new concrete headwalls and piping, which decreases habitats for birds and other wildlife that can be potential hazards to aircraft. The project's estimated completion date is August 2003.

(Right) Tech. Sgt. Michael Reisher, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron, peers into frames of future munitions storage facilities. A project is underway to build 30 munitions storage facilities. Each facility is an enclosed structure, which protects munitions from the environment and other hazards. The project is slated for completion in October 2004.



Photo by Senior Airman Andrew Svoboda



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A \$5.2 million project is in the works for a new 15,000 square foot commissary. The facility, scheduled to open in 2004, will offer wider aisles, a larger produce area, and will be centrally located next to the base exchange.



Today

Free food The Loring Club offers club members barbecue chicken 6 to 9 p.m. in the ballroom. For more information, call 782-4312 or 782-4575.

Howlin’ Bowl The Yellow Sea Bowling Center has howlin’ bowl Fridays from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. The cost is \$11 a person or \$50 a lane. For more information, call 782-4608.

Foosball tournament The Falcon Community Center hosts a double foosball tournament at 7 p.m. For more information, call 782-4679 or 782-4619.

Smorgasbord buffet The Loring Club hosts a super smorgasbord 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Karaoke Display your talent or cheer on others 8 p.m. to midnight at the Falcon Community Center.

Saturday

Nine-pin tournament The Yellow Sea Bowling Center hosts a nine-pin bowling tournament starting at 6:30 p.m. The entry fee is \$13. For more information, call 782-4608.

Country night The Loring Club hosts country night in the ballroom 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. For more information, call 782-4313 or 782-4575.

E-Mart trip The Falcon Community Center hosts a shopping tour to E-Mart in Kunsan City. Busses depart the base at 10 a.m., noon, 2 and 4 p.m. Busses return to base at 1, 3 and 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$2. For more information, call 782-4619.

Wolf Pack Wheels Departs Kunsan for

Osan AB at 7:30 and 10 a.m. The bus returns to base at 5 and 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10/\$9 one way and \$20/\$18 round trip.

Sunday

Brunch Extravaganza The Loring Club offers entrees and side dishes for Sunday brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Price is \$11.95 per person for club members.

Dart tournament The Loring Club hosts a dart tournament at 7 p.m. For more information, call 782-4312 or 782-4575.

Free throw contest The Falcon Community Center hosts a best of 10 free throw basketball contest at 2 p.m. The winner receives a free phone card. For more information, call 782-4679 or 782-4619.

Chicken wings The Loring Club has 10 cent chicken wings from 6 to 8 p.m.

Wolf Pack Wheels Departs Kunsan for Osan at 7:30 a.m. and noon. The bus returns to base at 5 and 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10/\$9 one way and \$20/\$18 round trip.

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Monday

Mexican buffet The Loring Club has a Mexican buffet 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$5.85 for club members and \$6.85 for non-members.

Bowling lessons The Yellow Sea Bowling Center offers bowling lessons by an experienced bowler noon to 2 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. The cost is \$1 a game.

Pool tournament The Loring Club hosts a nine-ball pool tournament at 7 p.m. For more information, call 782-4312 or 782-4575.

Movie madness The Falcon Community Center hosts double feature movie madness. For more information, call 782-4679 or 782-4619.

Pizza night The Loring Club has 50 cent pizza from 6 to 8 p.m.

Wolf Pack Wheels Departs Kunsan for Osan at 7:30 a.m. The bus returns to base at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 one way and \$20 round trip.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker

HOT CHOCOLATE: Chaplain (Capt.) Randall Jamieson, 8th Fighter Wing chapel, delivers hot chocolate to Senior Airman Ronald Ballantine, 80th Fighter Squadron, and other workers. Jamieson and a volunteer ministry team from the chapel delivers hot chocolate and cookies to late shift workers every Wednesday night.

Tuesday

Kun burger The Loring Club has a \$2 Kun burger from 6 to 8 p.m.

Spades tournament The Falcon Community Center hosts a double spades tournament at 7 p.m. The winner receives a phone card.

Pool tournament The Loring Club hosts a nine-ball pool tournament at 7 p.m. For more information, call 782-4312 or 782-4575.

Sumo wrestling The Loring Club hosts sumo wrestling. For more information, call 782-4575 or 782-4312.

Oriental buffet The Loring Club has an Oriental buffet 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$5.85 for club members and \$6.85 for non-members.

Wolf Pack Wheels Departs Kunsan for Yongsan at 7:30 a.m. The bus returns to base at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$15 one way and \$30 round trip.

Wednesday

Free food The Loring Club offers club

members free patio barbecue 6 to 9 p.m. in the ballroom.

Darts tournament The Falcon Community Center hosts a darts tournament at 2 p.m. A phone card goes to the winner. For more information, call 782-4679 or 782-4619.

Texas barbecue The Loring Club has a Texas-style barbecue buffet 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Karaoke Display your talent or cheer on others 8 p.m. to midnight at the Falcon Community Center.

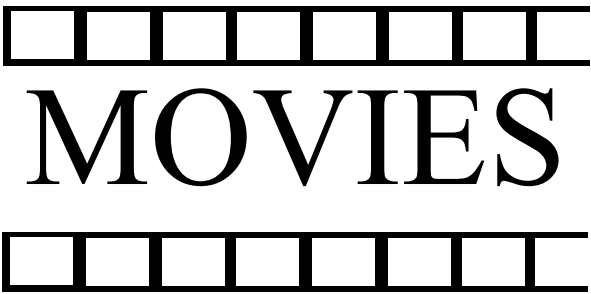
Thursday

Scotch doubles The Yellow Sea Bowling Center has scotch double bowling. For more information, call 782-4608.

Jeju Island The Falcon Community Center offers a trip to Jeju Island May 24 to 26. Today is the registration deadline.

Italian buffet The Loring Club has an Italian buffet 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Submit your events for 7-Days by sending an e-mail to wolfpackwarrior@kunsan.af.mil. Submissions must include the time, date, place, point of contact and a phone number.



Saturday

“Dreamcatcher” (R) 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Sunday

“Dark Blue” (R) Starring Kurt Russell and Scott Speedman. 6 and 8 p.m.

Monday

“Dark Blue” (R) 8 p.m.

Tuesday

“The Hunted” (R) Starring Tommy Lee Jones and Benicio Del Toro. 8 p.m.

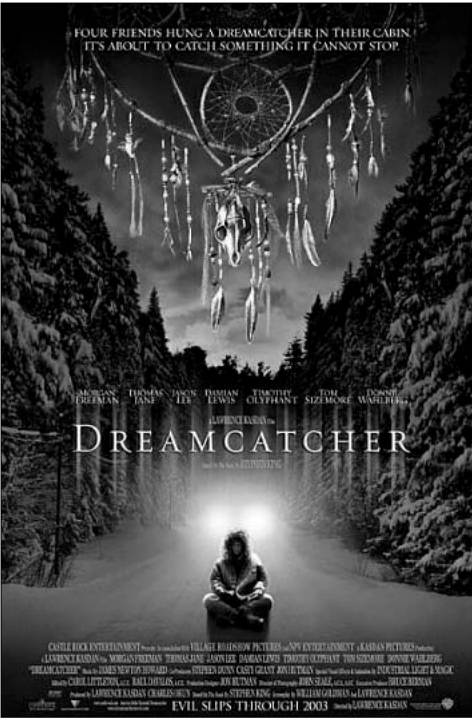
Wednesday

“The Hunted” (R) 8 p.m.

Thursday

“Deliver Us from Eva” (R) Starring LL Cool J and Garielle Union. 8 p.m.

For more information, call 782-SHOW.



Tonight

“Dreamcatcher” (R)
Starring Donnie Wahlberg and Jason Lee. 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Promotion ceremony

The 8th Fighter Wing’s promotion ceremony is 8 a.m. Thursday at the Loring Club. All promotees must be in place no later than 6:30 a.m. with their new stripes sewn on. For more information, call Master Sgt. Jennifer Holloman at 782-4101.

Birthday meal

The O’Malley Dining Facility hosts the May birthday meal 6:15 May 11. Please sign up at the O’Malley no later than May 9. The total cost of the meal will be determined for those people receiving basic allowance for subsistence. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Shelli Fisher at 782-5160 or 782-5538.

Education

CCAF graduation The spring 2003 Community College of the Air Force graduation ceremony is 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Loring Club. Degree candidates need to call the education office to see if they are eligible to participate. All graduates, supervisors and commanders are encouraged to attend the ceremony. For more information, call 782-5148.

ASE exams The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence examinations are May 6, 7 and 8. Tests should have been ordered by March 19. For more information, call 782-5148.

College registration Registration for term four runs through May 24. Class schedules are out. For more information, stop by the education office.

Troop-to-Teachers Troops-to-Teachers provides referral assistance and placement services to military personnel interested in beginning a second career in public education as a teacher. The DANTES Troops-to-Teachers office helps applicants identify teacher certification requirements, programs leading to certification and employment opportunities. The office's new Web site is www.jobs2teach.doded.mil.

CLEP/DANTES The education office offers CLEP/DANTES testing 8 a.m. Mondays and Fridays, and 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Wednesdays. Call 782-5148 for an appointment. The Rosenblum Library offers a variety of CLEP and DANTES study material for loan. The library is open 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily.

CDC testing Career Development Course testing is 9 a.m. Thursdays in building 1053, room 3. Unit training managers must make appointments for testing.

FSC

TAP Workshop The Family Support Center hosts a transition assistance program class 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Topics include: job search, resume writing, interview techniques, career exploration, legal affairs, medical insurance, Veterans Affairs benefits, relocation decisions, etc. For more information, call 782-5644.

Sponsorship Training The Family

Support Center gives sponsors the tools to help make new members' transition to Kunsan an easy one. Training is 10 to 11 a.m. every third Wednesday at the Sonlight Inn. Registration required, call 782-5644.

Financial management A personal financial management program class is 2 to 3 p.m. in building 755, room 215. Air Force Instructions make this class mandatory for all E-4s and below at their first duty station. For more information, call 782-5644.

Return, reunion The Family Support Center hosts a return and reunion briefing 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the base theater. The briefing addresses the challenges of returning home after a separation.

Smooth Move A briefing to answer questions about permanent-change-of-station moves is 1 to 2:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month at the SonLight Inn. Legal, finance, housing, and medical experts provide information. Registration required, call 782-5644.

Survival Korean language class Two-hour class teaches students how to read and write the Korean alphabet and also includes basic travel expressions. Class is 5 p.m. Thursday. Registration required, 782-5644.

Volunteer Opportunities

SonLight Inn The SonLight Inn needs units to volunteer for the Friday meals. The chapel is looking for units to volunteer May 30 through Aug. 29. If interested or for more information, call Airman 1st Class Jessica Duplantis at 782-4300.

CISM peer counselors The life skills support clinic seeks volunteers interested in becoming critical incident stress management counselors. Counselors receive training. For more information, call Capt. Robert Vanecek at 782-4562.

Korean orphanage Volunteers are needed to help at the local Kae Chong Orphanage on a weekly basis. Kunsan people spend time with 40 children on Thursday nights. There is an English lesson and snack time that lasts for two hours. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Lynetta Williams or Staff Sgt. Jesse Hernandez at 782-4035.

Commissary bagging Base members

can volunteer to sack groceries 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. weekends for tips. Sign up at the commissary.

Chapel

Protestant services General Protestant Worship Service is 11 a.m. Sundays and the Contemporary Praise and Worship Service/Bible study is 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Both services are conducted in the chapel. For information about any chapel services, call 782-4300.

Gospel Gospel services are 12:30 p.m. Sundays and the Inspirational Praise and Worship Service is 7:30 p.m. Fridays at the chapel.

LDS Services are 3 p.m. Sundays at the chapel.

Church of Christ Services are 9:30 a.m. Sundays at the SonLight Inn, room 1.

Catholic services Mass is 5:30 p.m. Saturdays, 9 a.m. Sundays and 11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday at the chapel. Catholic Reconciliation is by appointment Monday through Thursday and 4:30 to 5 p.m. Saturdays. R.C.I.A. is 7 p.m. Wednesdays in the chapel conference room. An "Overview of the Scriptures" is 7 p.m. Thursdays in the chapel conference room.

SonLight Inn hours The SonLight Inn is open 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, 6 p.m. to midnight Fridays, 8 a.m. to midnight Saturdays and 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sundays. For more information, call 782-5466.

Prayer & Bible studies The chapel hosts several prayer and Bible study groups at the chapel and Sonlight Inn. Groups include:

☐ Adult Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Sundays, SLI, room 3.

☐ Basic Christian Training, 9:30 a.m. Sundays at the SLI, room 3.

☐ Korean-American Bible Study, 7:30 p.m. Mondays at the SLI, room 1.

☐ Women's Fellowship, 7 p.m. Tuesdays and every third Thursday at the SLI, room 2.

☐ Mid-Week Spiritual Boost, 12:15 p.m. Wednesdays at the chapel.

☐ Intercessory Prayer, 8:30 p.m. Saturdays at the SLI, room 2.

Miscellaneous

Off limits The 8th Security Forces Squadron's Combat Arms Firing Range, located on Little Coyote in buildings 3500 and 3501, and the areas adjacent to the range are off limits to all unauthorized people. Questions and concerns should be directed to CATM at 782-5258.

Commissary inspectors Medical inspectors from the U.S. Army Veterinary Command and the 8th Medical Group Public Health Office will be in the commissary 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday to distribute information on the inspection process that safeguards Defense Commissary Agency food.

Change of command The 8th Maintenance Operations Squadron change of command ceremony is 9 a.m. May 9 in Hangar 3. For more information, call Capt. David Short at 782-5076.

The 8th Mission Support Group change of command is 9 a.m. May 12 in Hangar 3. Lt. Col. Douglas Tucker will assume command from Col. Timothy Byers.

The 8th Fighter Wing change of command is 10 a.m. May 14 in Hangar 3. Col. Robin Rand will assume command from Col. Guy Dahlbeck.

Community assessment

Servicemembers at Kunsan have the opportunity to help Air Force members worldwide by participating in the community assessment survey. Servicemembers will be randomly selected to participate in the study, designed to directly influence family services and related support activities at bases throughout the Air Force by taking they survey. For more information, call 782-5627.

COLA survey A cost of living allowance survey is available at <http://175fincom.korea.army.mil/> through Wednesday. Kunsan's locality code is KS070. For more information, call 782-5574.

American monk speaks to troops

An American buddhist monk living in Korea for 10 years will speak to American and Korean troops about cultural differences 1 p.m. Tuesday at the base theater. Everyone is invited.

Submit your events for Bulletins by sending an e-mail to wolfpackwarrior@kunsan.af.mil.

CINCO DE MAYO

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo starting at 4 p.m. May 3 at the Loring Club. There will be food, prizes, giveaways and a lot of Latin music. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Carolyn Bond at 782-4619.

FREE CLASSIFIEDS

To submit an item for Free Classifieds, send an e-mail to wolfpackwarrior@kunsan.af.mil with "classifieds" and the category (Wanted, For Sale or Lost & Found) in the subject block. All submissions must contain member's rank, name and phone number and must originate from the member's e-mail account. No "personal" ads will be accepted. Deadline for submissions is noon Friday a week prior to desired printing. For more information, call 782-4705.

For Sale

Electric guitar Phil Pro PSM-700, neck-through-body, maple, walnut, mahogany body, three Bill Lawrence pickups, Wilkinson Tremolo, beautiful wood stripes, must see to appreciate, includes hard shell case, \$300 firm. Call Scott at 0116766480.

Wanted

Accounting technician The chapel has a part-time job opening for an accounting technician starting May 1. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. John Middaugh for a position description and work statement at 782-4300.



Twisted Sister

7 p.m. May 3

Loring Club
parking lot

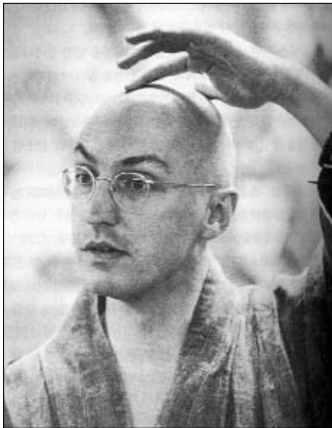
American Buddhist Monk visits Kunsan

1 p.m. Tuesday at the theater

All troops invited to attend

An American living in Korea more than 10 years will speak to American and Korea servicemembers about patriotism and cultural unity.

For more information, call Rosemary Song at 782-5194.



MXS pulls triple victory over SFS

By Staff Sgt. Chuck Walker
8th Communications Squadron

After their second place finish in the pre-season volleyball tournament, the 8th Maintenance Squadron knew it would be a team to be reckoned with in the regular season.

On Tuesday night, 8th MXS did nothing to dispel that as it beat the 8th Security Forces Squadron in all three matches, 25-16, 21-25 and 15-11.

Middle-Hitter Don Mottor led MXS slamming home 11 kills, while player-coach Nick Hamilton added 10 kills and six service points.

The victory also keeps MXS [3-0] unbeaten on the season.

"I'm really happy with the way we've been playing," Hamilton said. "Our front-line players are getting a lot of blocks. It also really helps to have the three biggest guys in the league all on one team."

In game one, MXS' hitters made a statement.

Mottor knocked home six kills in game one and Robert Hughes added three kills, plus Ryan Lamb tossed in five service points as MXS walked coasted to the victory.

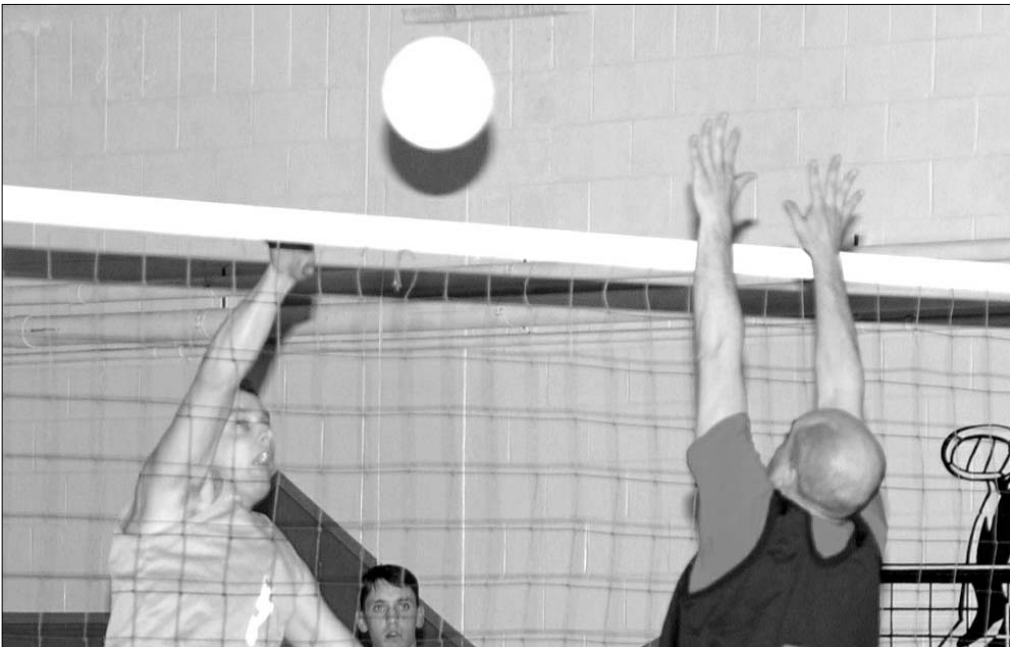
Game two was a different story. Leading 20-16 and just five points away from sweeping the match, MXS got complacent.

Youlanda Grant knocked in 10 service points, including eight-in-a-row, to lead the Cops to a 25-21 victory.

In the rubber game, Wesley Haire got five service points to lead the way for MXS.

Hamilton said MXS got too fancy toward the end of game two, costing his team the sweep.

"We were getting a little fancy, trying to give our setters a chance to kill and get points," Hamilton said. "That's why you let the setters set and leave the hitting to the hitters."



Photos by Senior Airman David Miller

SERVICE: Robert Hughes, 8th Maintenance Squadron, slams home a kill while Carlos Gonzalez, 8th Security Forces Squadron, attempts to block during Tuesday's match.

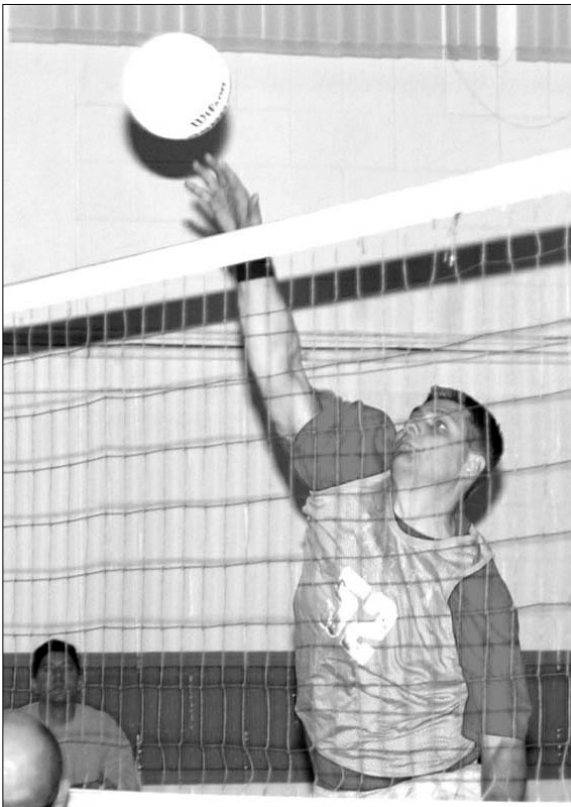
Cops coach James Robbins said he is pleased with his team, despite losing to the two best teams in the league [MXS and Death Volley] in the past week.

"It was a pretty good match, we didn't let them run away with it," Robbins said. "In game two we started to communicate better. We were regrouping and things started to click. Communication is the key. When we are communicating with one another we play better."

With its undefeated record, MXS sits atop the standings along with Death Volley. MXS is the only team to come close to defeating Death Volley, taking the match to three games.

Hamilton said that although his team still has room for improvement he feels confident in his team's chances this season.

"I don't feel Death Volley has the size or the hitting potential we do," Hamilton said. "We just need to keep playing the way we've been playing and we'll be fine. We're gelling. We just need to keep playing together and we'll be fine."



SPIKE: Don Mottor, 8th MXS, slams home one of his 11 kills in his teams' triple victory against the Cops Tuesday.

SPORTS SHORTS

All-star b-ball game set

Top players from each squadron will participate in a basketball game, 3-point shoot-out and slam dunk contest 6:30 p.m. May 5. Contact the fitness center or squadron sports representatives for more information.

5K fun run/walk

A 5K run and walk is set for 1 p.m. May 3 at the fitness center. Sign-up at the fitness center.

Free-throw contest

A free-throw contest is set for 1 p.m. May 3 at the fitness center. Sign-up at the fitness center.

4x400 meter relay

The race is set for 9 a.m. May 10 at the track. Sign-up at the fitness center.

20-mile stationary bike race

The race is set for 1 p.m. May 10. Sign-up at the fitness center.

10K 2-person biathlon

The race is set for 9 a.m. May 17. Sign-up at the fitness center.

Push-up/sit-up contest

The contest is set for 3 p.m. May 17. Sign-up at the fitness center.

5K run/walk

The race is set for 9 a.m. May 24 at the Health and Wellness Center. Sign-up at the fitness center.



USAF Marathon registration

Registration is underway for the 2003 U.S. Air Force Marathon scheduled for Sept. 20. Reduced fees for early registration are available until June 30. Registration deadline is Sept. 4. To register, visit the marathon Web site at <http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil/>, or call the marathon office at (937) 257-4350 or (800) 467-1823.

Martial Arts Classes

Budo Taijutsu/Ninjutsu

Noon Saturday and Sunday - FREE

Tae Kwon Do

8 to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday

Kuk Sool Hapkido

7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday to Friday

Tang Soo Do

6 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday to Friday

Aerobics Classes

Monday

5:30 a.m. - Aerobics
5:45 p.m. - 15-minute Abs
6 p.m. - Step Challenge

Tuesday

5:30 a.m. - Aerobics
6 p.m. - Step Challenge

Wednesday

5:30 a.m. - Aerobics
5:45 p.m. - 15-Minute Abs
6 p.m. - Kickbox

Thursday

5:30 a.m. - Aerobics
6 p.m. - Step Hi/Lo

Friday

5:30 p.m. - Aerobics
6 a.m. - Boot camp

Saturday

10 a.m. - Step Mountain
11 a.m. - 15-minute Abs

PACAF - Fit to Fight

May Fitness Month Sports Day Calendar - May 31

- 9 a.m. - Opening Ceremony at fitness center
- 10 a.m. - Racquetball tournament at fitness center
- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Spin/Aeroba-thon at fitness center
- 11 a.m. - Tug of War at football field
- 1 p.m. - Home run derby at softball field
- 1 p.m. - 3-on-3 basketball tournament at fitness center
- 2 p.m. - 2-on-2 beach volleyball at CE squadron lounge
- 2 p.m. - Open horseshoe doubles at CE squadron lounge
- 2:30 p.m. - Chiefs/Eagles softball at softball field
- 4 p.m. - 5K run/walk at fitness center
- 4 p.m. - 100-meter dash at track
- 4:30 p.m. - 4x400 meter relay at track
- 6:30 p.m. - Closing Ceremony at football field

For more information, contact the fitness center or squadron sports representatives.



Courtesy Photo

WOLF PACK EXTREME: Kunsan outdoors sports team participated in the The 9th Annual Cheonan Duathlon Championships Sunday. The race was a five kilometer run, a 40 kilometer bike, followed by a 10 kilometer run. Justin Martin, 8th Medical Operations Squadron, finished 3rd in the men's 30-39 age group, 9th out of 450 overall. Mark Naglack, 8th Maintenance Squadron, finished 29th overall; Timothy Stout, 8th MDOS, finished 62nd; Bryan Edmonds, 8th Operations Group, finished 78th; and Darla Edmonds finished first in the 40-49 women's category, 110th out of 450 overall.

SCORES & MORE

BOWLING

American League

	W	L
Red Devils	147	61
Fabrication	132	76
Med Dawgs	124	84
SUPS A	120	88
COMM A	118	90
SVS	112	96
TRANS	110	98
MOS	109	99
35th AMF	104	104
OSS A	104	104
SFS	104	104
Munitions 2	86	122
80th AMF	84	124
COMM B	70	138
GateKeepers	63	145
Army	37	171

National League

	W	L
Kwang Ju	126	74
PMEL	125	75
Bad Ammo	115	85
Big Green Truck	112	88
Fuel Shop	106	94
8 CPTF	106	94
Avionics	105	95
Wing Dings	103	97
MDG B	102	98
OSS Dumb Bells	96	104
QA “Buzzards”	92	108
80th AMF B	86	114
MDG C	84	116
Munsons	84	116
Jack Stogies	74	126
Post Office	52	148

VOLLEYBALL

American League

	W	L
MDG A	3	0
LRS	3	0
E-BTRY	2	1
MXO	2	1
COBRA 2	1	1
AMXS	1	2
MXS B	0	2
OG	0	2
SVS	0	3

National League

	W	L
DeathVolley	3	0
MXS	3	0
CES	2	1
COMM	2	1
MDG B	1	2
SFS	1	2
CPTF	0	3
F-BTRY	0	3

BENCH PRESS RESULTS

Light Class

1st Place	Steven McKnew
2nd Place	James Holko

Mid Class

1st Place	Danny Frey
2nd Place	David Martinez

Heavy Class

1st Place	Mike Beutler
2nd Place	Doug Brown

Spin classes

The sports and fitness center and the health and wellness center offer spin classes.

HAWC —

Today Noon and 5 p.m.

Monday Noon and 5 p.m.

Wednesday Noon and 5 p.m.

Fitness center —

Today 5 a.m.

Tuesday 5 a.m.

Thursday 5:15 a.m.

Fitness center hours

The sports and fitness center hours are:

Monday to Thursday

4:30 a.m. to midnight

Friday

4:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Weekends, holiday and down days

8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Alcohol awareness: Do you have a problem?

By Staff Sgt. Khalisha Savage and Capt. Robert Vanecek

8th Medical Operations Squadron

April is Alcohol Awareness Month, and the Air Force has zero tolerance for alcohol consumption abuse.

Alcoholism’s main characteristics are intense cravings, feelings of loss of control, withdrawal symptoms when alcohol is not in the system for extended periods of time, and increased alcohol tolerance. Alcohol abuse is manifested by recurrent behavioral problems directly related to drinking. These problems include driving while intoxicated or driving under the influence, other legal problems, poor job performance, or problems in relationships.

Nearly 14 million Americans abuse alcohol or are alcoholics. Recent statistics indicate that about 53 percent of men and women in the United States report one or more of their close relatives has a drinking problem. When it comes to expense, the money associated with alcohol abuse — including criminal acts, insurance premiums, and treatment — cost the United States about \$100 billion annually.

To tell if you have a drinking problem, ask yourself the following four questions: have you ever felt you should cut down on your drinking; have people annoyed you by commenting or criticizing your drinking; have you ever felt guilty about your drinking, or things you have done while drinking; have you ever had a drink first thing in the morning to steady your nerves or get rid of a

hangover, also known as an eye opener?

If someone answers “yes” to more than one of these questions, then there is a possibility that his drinking is problematic, and he could benefit from an evaluation by a professional. Even if the answers are “no” to all four questions, help should be sought if drinking is causing problems in any aspect of life.

Other indicators that alcohol could be a problem in your life include: losing a wallet, purse, keys or ID while out drinking; vomiting, passing out, or forgetting periods of time while drinking; frequent fights or arguments while under the influence of alcohol; using alcohol as the only way to decrease anxiety in large crowds or social settings; and acts of unwanted sexual advances made against you or by you while intoxicated.

There often are little or no negative consequences for being referred to the alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment program for an evaluation. In fact, only four of the 36 people evaluated by the ADAPT program in calendar year 2003 met the criteria for an alcohol use disorder and were entered into formal treatment. The remaining 32 were only required to take and alcohol education course. People who require treatment often find they are more effective at performing their job, enjoy improved health, better moods and more satisfying social relationships following treatment. Despite the stigma getting help means destroying careers, the vast majority of people seeking help find

they actually save their careers.

Alcohol abuse and alcoholism are treatable, and if identified early — and dealt with — there is an excellent chance to save a life and to improve the quality of that life. The consequences of not dealing with alcoholism can prove fatal to a person and to those around him.

The ADAPT program at Kunsan Air Base can provide a number of treatment services on base and can outsource to other military medical facilities as necessary, if the required services are not available here. Department of Defense civilian employees are authorized to receive evaluations on base and long-term treatment would be provided through a personal medical insurance program. Additional resources and information can be obtained by contacting: a doctor; a chaplain; Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon, Alateen; the National Institute of Drug Abuse Hotline [1-800-662-HELP]; or the health and wellness center.

Remember you can help yourself avoid problems with excessive alcohol use by spending time engaged in activities that do not involve alcohol. Examples of such events include trips sponsored by the community center, activities at the SonLight Inn, going to the fitness center, helping with volunteer activities, or furthering your education. To learn more about alcohol and its effects, call the ADAPT program at office at 782-4562 or visit the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism’s site at www.niaaa.nih.gov.

Flea, tick collars are for pets not people

By Army Sgt. 1st Class Doug Sample

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon is, once again, advising service members that flea and tick collars work great on pets, but not on humans.

And officials at the Armed Forces Pest Management Board said good-intentioned citizens and family members should not include the collars in care packages to troops.

Responding to reports that persons as well as organizations are sending pet collars to troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, Army Maj. Dwight Rickard, contingency liaison officer for the board, said an AFPMB memorandum issued in early April warns of the dangers involved.

“The fact that some organizations with good intentions were doing this concerned us,” Rickard said. “But the fact is that flea and tick collars are not approved for humans and in fact are quite detrimental to the skin.

“Our skin is different from that of dogs, and the pesticides tend to burn our skin,” he added.

There also is potential to absorb pesticides into the skin, which “as you can imagine, is not healthy,” he added.

Flea and tick collars contain the pesticides organophosphates, carbamates, pyrethroids and organochloride. The

“... the fact is that flea and tick collars are not approved for humans and in fact are quite detrimental to the skin. Our skin is different from that of dogs, and the pesticides tend to burn our skin.”

— Army Major Dwight Rickard

Contingency liaison officer for the Armed Forces Pest Management Board

EPA states these chemicals may produce adverse effects and they have not been tested for human use.

Back in September 1990, the Army’s Health Services Command had released a message warning that prolonged exposure to the collars could produce toxic effects in humans. Shortly thereafter, post and base exchange stores put up signs to warn of the dangers.

In 1999, the Rand Corp., a research firm, surveyed thousands of Persian Gulf War veterans on their use of pesticides in that war as the Defense Department searched for possible links to illnesses in Gulf War veterans.

The survey did not provide definite evidence of a link to Gulf War illness,

but a number of veterans had reported using pet flea and tick collars to protect themselves against insects.

From the survey data, about three percent of Army and Marine Corps/Navy personnel and about one percent of Air Force personnel among the almost 470,000 serving in the Gulf are estimated to have used animal flea and tick collars.

The survey stated that most veterans who used flea collars wore them over their clothes or shoes, which helped minimize exposure to the active ingredient.

However, Rickard said the best way to protect against fleas and ticks is to use measures found in AFPMB Technical Guide-36, entitled “Personal Protective Measures Against Insects.” The guide describes DOD’s insect repellent system and other techniques to ward off flea, tick and chigger attack.

Rickard emphasized that the collars work very well on dogs, but hardly at all on humans.

“If you put them on a humans, the fleas and ticks won’t go near the collar, but they will go everywhere else,” he said.

To learn more about the DOD insect repellent system, visit <http://www.afpmb.org>.

Personal trainers:

The fitness center has personal trainers on staff to help people set up personalized workout programs. For more information, call 782-4026.

Month of the Military Child

By Master Sgt. Mark Haviland
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Regardless of their age, they're affectionately known as "rugrats." They can, in the blink of an eye, go from being "little monsters" to "perfect angels." They leave messy handprints on the walls and tender fingerprints on our hearts.

They are our children.
During the Month of the Military Child, parents throughout the Defense Department take the time to recognize the sacrifices of the people who fill their lives with so much joy and who make deployments and remote assignments so much harder to endure.

This week, the staff of the Wolf Pack Warrior asked Kunsan parents and children to share their personal messages to each other. Here's what they had to say:

Sarah, Rebecca, Matthew, Jonathan, and Andrew,
I love ya'll and I miss ya'll!
— Master Sgt. Robert London (Dad)
8th Maintenance Group

To Madelynn, Kellsey and Kaitlynn, Thanks for being the best daughters a father could have. I appreciate your support of me and especially all the help and support you give your Mom while I'm away. I love you miss you.
— Senior Master Sgt. Gordon Fenley
8th Maintenance Squadron

Dear Dana, I am proud of everything you have done over the years both in school and sports. You have been a good buddy to your Mom during my absence and appreciate you keeping her busy. I love you.
— Senior Master Sgt. Dante Ladrido
8th Logistics Readiness Squadron

To Marc and Adrian, I'm so proud of the way you're taking care of each other. Thank you for understanding why I'm here. I'll be home soon. Love,
— Master Sgt. Carol Bullock
8th Comptroller Flight

Devin, Alyssa, and Tanner. No words can describe how much you mean to me or how much I miss you. I am so proud of you all. I am eagerly awaiting my turn to come home and be with you again Love, Dad.
— Tech. Sgt. Steven L Farver
8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Chris, Samantha, Kody, Rebecca and Jon, Hope all goes well for you. I miss all of y'all so much. Count the days, won't be long until I am home. Hope each day brings a new smile. Love y'all lots. Dad
— Staff Sgt. Larry Johnson
8th Civil Engineer Squadron

Aiden Bishop Chagnon, Daddy loves you and thanks God every day for allowing you to be a part of my life.
— Tech. Sgt. Lawrence Chagnon
8th Mission Support Squadron

Tiffany, I love and miss you very much and cannot wait to see you in June. Be good and take care of mommy. Daddy.
— Tech. Sgt. John Middaugh Jr.
8th Fighter Wing

To Emily (Monkey): You have become quite the little lady since I left and I am so excited about coming home for good just in time for your birthday! To Dennis III (Buddha): You were still just a baby when

I left, barely crawling. Now you can walk, run, and talk to me on the phone. I can't wait to get home and get to know my little man. Mommy loves you both very much and I will see you very soon!
— Staff Sgt. Bobbie Schroader
8th Operations Support Squadron

Mikey and Ladybug, Thank you for all the love, hugs and kisses you have given me even when I'm not home. I love you as big as the sky and apple pie. XXOXOO, Sugar Mama.
— Staff Sgt. Wanda Forsythe
8th AMXS

Being a military child is like being in your own private club. They other kids all understand what it is like to move around a lot. It's very interesting meeting all sorts of new and interesting people. If I wasn't a military child I wouldn't be the person I am today so I am very proud that my Mom is in the Air Force and I'm a military child!
— Brenda Moody
Age 15

It is very different [being a military child]. I like to move a lot and she works at the base. I went to Mommy's work and it was a very big base. She got to Korea before my birthday and she gave me Pearl Harbor and an Uno card game.
— A.J. Moody
Age 10

To my son Jordan, Daddy is so proud of you for taking care of Mommy and your sisters. I love and miss you very much and keep being a good boy. I can't wait to see you. I love you this.... much. Love Daddy

To Daddy's little girl, Ammorae, I hope your behaving, Daddy misses you very much and can't wait to come home and give you butterfly kisses. I love you baby girl.

To my Baby, Jaelahna, you're growing like a weed. I can't wait to squeeze you and love you up. I Love you baby.

To my newest one, Can't wait to hold you for the first time. I already love you and I'll see you on your birthday. Love, Your Daddy.
— Senior Airman Jason Coursey
8th AMXS

Alexander, I miss you from here to the stars and back. I love you to infinity and beyond! Mommy
— Maj. Teresa Barnes
8th FW

Elijah, You are my joy from the Lord; God above. My first born to cherish, nourish and love. I thank my God for you each day, That He will lead you in His way. I am blessed by the Lord with you; my son, To raise with guidance from the Anointed One. I love you Buddy! Big Hug. Mommy
— Tech. Sgt. Valerie Waldon
8th LRS

Brant, Kristi, Sadie & Cody I love you guys and miss you bunches. I miss our time together and wish I was there to spend it with you. I love you, Dad.
— Tech. Sgt. Leslie Tew
35th Fighter Squadron

Dear Pansona, Hope you had a nice Easter Sunday ... you are right about what you told mommy, "God died for us for Christmas ... Jesus dies for us for Easter!" Hope you enjoyed the Easter bunny and

that you got a lot of Easter eggs. Love you...see you in two months! You are too smart for a 4-year old!
— Master Sgt. Martin Medrano
8th Communications Squadron

To Mary, Daddy's little girl. Daddy will be home soon. Take care of mommy and your new little brother. Get ready to go fishing, ride horses and go to the water park when I come home. I can't wait to see you. I love you.
— Staff Sgt. Michael Strickland
8 CES

Kendrick and Savannah Huggins, your mommy and daddy love you and miss you. We will be home soon. We are always thinking about you. Love Always our little prince and princess.
— Staff Sgt. Akilah Huggins
8th CS
and
Tech. Sgt. Bernard Huggins
51st Fighter Wing

Natasha, Stephanie, Laurence and Kayla, If Mom and I had a chance to choose our children before they were born, we could not have picked better kids than each of you. Determined, independent, caring and kind are what we want our kids to be and you've exceeded our expectations. Love you all, Mom and Dad.
— Master Sgt. Larry Kirkpatrick
8th MSS

Kyana and Keila, A year is almost up, and I will soon be home. I have really come to appreciate this year, because I have missed you more and more and I want to do those things that maybe I grew content with when I was with you. Now I am here and I look back and say if only I had done this or that. Now I am looking forward to doing this and that with you. I guess your little voices saying, I miss you and I love you have really gotten me through this year. Kyana and Keila, I love you too. Thank you for everything, Daddy.
— Tech. Sgt. J.P. Kelley
8th FW

Dear Brianne and Alyssa, Thank you for being two of the best girls in the world! I want you to know how proud I am of both of you for being so good for your Dad while I am in Korea. I can't wait to see you in June. We will have a great month together! Love, Mommy.
— Tech. Sgt. Patricia Sieja
8th Services Squadron

Soon, I will come for you and take you to see the world and all its wonders. I love you all and miss you as always. Love Dad.
— Senior Airman Vassar Holamon
8 AMXS

Sean and Timothy, This time apart is temporary, my love for you is for forever. Thank you for being strong and for understanding. I love you, Dad.
— Master Sgt. Mark Haviland
8th FW

Dear Cosmos, I love you so much. You are a very special person in this world. I am blessed to be in your life. After all you been through, I see that my problems are so small. I have been gone too long and can't wait to get home and be a bigger part of your life from now on. Love, Daddy.
— Master Sgt. Daniel Skelton
8th AMXS